c. B. that the first Detachment be composed of Captⁿ Postley and Captⁿ Ratcliffe's Companies, and the second Detachment of Captⁿ Robin's and Captⁿ Cox's Companies, those Companies being the most convenient to Sinnapuxent Inlet, that the said Detachments be kept as a Guard at the said Inlet, the first of them for eight Days, and then to be relieved by the second who shall also continue eight Days unless as expected, they should be sooner relieved, or the commanding Officer should think it unnecessary to keep a Guard Longer there.

Ordered That Joseph Bruff of Talbot County deliver to the order of Col Dashiel or Purnell all the public arms in his Possession that are repaired, taking his Receipt for the same.

Samuel Sadler appointed & commissioned, as third Lieu-

tenant of Captⁿ Furnival's Company of Matrosses

Commissions issued to	Joshua Gray Jun ^r Benj ⁿ Fish	2 Lieut ^t Ensign
of Captain Boone's Company	•	
_	R ^d Cromwell	ı L ^t
	Joshua Merrikin	$2 L^t$
	George Hammond	Ensign
of Capt ⁿ Owens's Company, in		
talion of Militia in Ann Arunde	l County	

C. C.

[Council to Col. Purnell.]

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In Council Annapolis 12th June 1777.

Sir.

Col^o Jos. Dashiell wrote the Governor and also sent forward Colo Done's Letter to him, from whence it seems necessary that a small Force should be kept at Sinnapuxent. should have been glad that Col^o Richardson's Regiment was in such a Situation that a Part might have been ordered down, but they really are not, they have not yet got Arms, we shall get them armed and fitted as soon as we can and hope to have them soon ready, if it should be necessary, to continue a Col^o Done & Col^o Guard to take the Place of the Militia. Dashiell seem to think it necessary to enlarge the Battery on the South Beach. Colo Dashiell suggests the Advantages of a Row Galley or Gondola or two; we are inclined to believe a Vessel or two of that Sort might be more effectual than the Battery and propose, for Consideration only, whether a large Scow or two used for transporting the Cattle from the Beach might not, by adding strong Timber to defend the Men from the Enemy's Shot, answer the same Intention, in carrying a Piece or two of heavy Cannon, perhaps the heaviest that can be got with you, as well as a Number of lighter Pieces. should be glad you, Colo Dashiell, & Colo Done, before any